

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment for allowance is requested.

The allowance of claims 66-68 and 73-88 has been noted.

It is proposed to amend claim 56 so as to include the definition of the binder resin common to allowed claims 66 and 73. It is also proposed to delete the shape factor ratio from claim 56 to avoid redundancy with claim 66. This feature is not thought necessary in claim 56, as amended, and its deletion is consistent with the language of allowed claim 73.

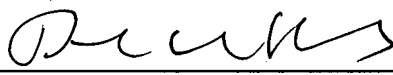
The amendments made to claim 56 are not believed to raise any new issues as the changes are consistent with claim language of record.

It is respectfully submitted that claim 56, as amended, distinguishes unobviously from Ohno et al for reasons of record. In particular, there is no disclosure or suggestion of a toner as claimed in amended claim 56 including a binder resin as defined. Accordingly, reconsideration of the Section 103(a) rejection of claims 56-65 and 69-72 is requested.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this amendment and allowance are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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